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ABERNATHY BIDS FAREWELL TO SENIOR ADVISOR BRYAN TRAMONT AND NAMES INTERIM APPOINTMENTS

Washington, DC -- FCC Commissioner Kathleen Q. Abernathy announced today that her Senior Legal Advisor, Bryan Tramont, will soon depart her staff to join FCC Chairman Michael Powell as his Senior Legal Advisor. "This is a tremendous opportunity for Bryan. While I will miss his counsel, I have been fortunate to have had Bryan on my team since the beginning of my tenure at the Commission. He is the ultimate public servant, and he will succeed in whatever endeavors he pursues in the future. The Chairman is truly lucky to bring him aboard," said Abernathy.

Matthew Brill, the Commissioner's Legal Advisor for wireline competition issues, will serve as Acting Senior Legal Advisor.

John Branscome of the Commercial Wireless Division of the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau will be detailed to Commissioner Abernathy's office as Acting Legal Advisor for wireless, international and technology issues pending the selection of a permanent advisor.